

Appendix table 3-18.

**Number, employment status, and median salary of 1995 and 1996 bachelor's and master's degree recipients, by field of degree: 1997**

Degree field	Graduates 1995 and 1996 <sup>a</sup> (thousands)	Education and employment status (percentage distribution)				Median salary FT employed graduates <sup>b</sup> (Dollars)
		Full-time students	Not full-time status			
			Employed in science or engineering	Employed in other occupations	Not employed and not FT student	
Bachelor's degree recipients						
Science and engineering .....	708.9	21	21	53	5	28,200
All sciences .....	593.8	23	12	60	5	26,000
Computer and information sciences .....	41.0	6	57	34	3	37,700
Mathematical sciences .....	26.8	19	15	63	3	29,800
Life and related sciences .....	139.0	31	11	53	5	22,800
Physical and related sciences .....	36.6	38	26	33	3	27,300
Psychology .....	138.0	24	6	65	5	22,300
Social and related sciences .....	212.4	18	6	70	6	26,400
All engineering .....	115.1	13	65	18	3	37,700
Aerospace and related engineering .....	3.0	22	48	27	2	34,000
Chemical engineering .....	11.6	17	65	14	4	39,300
Civil and architectural engineering .....	20.7	14	63	20	3	34,400
Electrical, electronics, computer, and communications engineering .....	32.9	10	70	16	4	40,500
Industrial engineering .....	5.8	8	66	24	2	37,600
Mechanical engineering .....	27.9	11	71	15	3	38,200
Other engineering .....	13.2	21	52	25	3	34,100
Master's degree recipients						
Science and engineering .....	149.5	21	49	27	3	41,500
All sciences .....	102.5	23	36	36	4	37,200
Computer & information sciences .....	18.2	6	74	18	2	51,200
Mathematical sciences .....	7.9	27	37	32	3	39,700
Life and related sciences .....	15.3	32	37	27	4	32,400
Physical and related sciences .....	9.7	37	42	18	3	33,600
Psychology .....	26.4	22	29	43	5	29,700
Social and related sciences .....	25.1	26	15	54	5	35,000
All engineering .....	47.0	15	75	9	2	49,900
Aerospace and related engineering .....	1.5	31	54	15	0 <sup>c</sup>	48,800
Chemical engineering .....	2.0	33	61	4	2	47,600
Civil and architectural engineering .....	6.5	11	76	11	1	41,900
Electrical, electronics, computer, and communications engineering .....	1.6	15	77	7	1	55,000
Industrial engineering .....	3.2	13	70	16	1	49,900
Mechanical engineering .....	7.2	16	72	10	2	47,700
Other engineering .....	10.4	10	78	9	4	49,000

<sup>a</sup>Includes people who received a bachelor's or master's degree in science or engineering from a U.S. college or university from July 1994 through June 1996.

<sup>b</sup>Salary for self-employed and full-time students is not included in data represented in this table. Median salaries are rounded to the nearest hundred dollars.

<sup>c</sup>While the observed value in the survey data set is 0 (zero) percent, it is possible that some persons in the true population have this characteristic.

NOTES: For graduates with more than one eligible degree at the same level (bachelor's/master's), this analysis uses the degree for which the graduate was sampled. Details may not sum to totals because of rounding. Percentages were calculated on unrounded data.

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